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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Gail Farber *Gail Farber*
Director of Public Works

BOARD MOTION OF DECEMBER 14, 2010, AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 UNION PACIFIC COMMUNITY TRAFFIC STUDY

On December 14, 2010, your Board approved a motion by Supervisor Gloria Molina, (copy attached) instructing the Director of Public Works to conduct a comprehensive neighborhood-wide traffic-calming analysis of the Union Pacific community in East Los Angeles.

At the Highway Safety Commission meeting held last year on this matter, members from the community expressed an interest in making the roadways in this neighborhood more bike, transit, and pedestrian friendly. To address the community's concerns, we will hire a traffic-engineering professional with specific expertise to conduct a comprehensive traffic-calming study. This study will evaluate urban streets within the Union Pacific community based on the multimodal approach, which includes auto drivers, transit users, bicyclists, and pedestrians.

A key component of the study will involve community outreach to assist in developing the most appropriate traffic-calming measures. A community meeting will be scheduled in February to present our strategy and to begin the process of engaging the community to garner input regarding their particular transportation needs.

If you have any questions, please call me or your staff may call Patrick V. DeChellis, Deputy Director, at (626) 458-4004.

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Attach.

cc: Chief Administrative Office (Rita Robinson)
Community Development Commission (Bill Johnson)
Executive Office



STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HELD IN ROOM 381B
OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

Tuesday, December 14, 2010

9:30 AM

6. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Molina: Direct the Director Public Works to conduct a comprehensive neighborhood-wide traffic calming analysis of the Union Pacific community of East Los Angeles. Such an effort should rely upon the expertise of a professional with extensive experience in traffic calming measures and should include community outreach and input. (10-3044)

Arnold Sachs addressed the Board.

On motion of Supervisor Knabe, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, this item was approved.

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Molina, Supervisor Ridley-Thomas, Supervisor Yaroslavsky, Supervisor Knabe and Supervisor Antonovich

Attachments: Motion by Supervisor Molina
Video
Audio

The foregoing is a fair statement of the proceedings of the regular meeting held December 14, 2010, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer
Executive Officer-Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors

By Sachi A. Hamai

Sachi A. Hamai
Executive Officer

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA

December 14, 2010

Over the past five years, Los Angeles County has made a significant investment in the Union Pacific neighborhood of East Los Angeles. We built a new park and opened two new childcare and community centers. The neighborhood is developed with a mix of conflicting land uses. Heavy industrial and trucking uses are immediately adjacent to single family homes, schools, and other community uses. These land use conflicts present unique challenges in planning for pedestrian and traffic safety.

Recently, several residents have requested traffic control measures at various intersections in the Union Pacific neighborhood. These requests were denied by the Department of Public Works and the Highway Safety Commission because they did not meet the minimum traffic counts recommended by the State of California. Yet, there clearly are traffic problems that must be addressed. The issues confronting this neighborhood should be addressed in a comprehensive manner and not on a case-by-case basis. A comprehensive traffic calming approach will make the neighborhood safer, more livable, and more enjoyable, by using non-traditional mechanisms to reduce

MOTION

Molina _____

Ridley-Thomas _____

Yaroslavsky _____

Knabe _____

Antonovich _____

the speed and volume of traffic to acceptable levels.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE Board of Supervisors direct the Department of Public Works to conduct a comprehensive neighborhood-wide traffic calming analysis of the Union Pacific community. Such an effort should rely upon the expertise of a professional with extensive experience in traffic calming measures and should include community outreach and input.